

Late Filing

Dear FCC Commissioners & Staff:

Over the past few years I have grown Futura, Inc. from One employee to thirteen employees. We contribute this success to the telcos for the opportunity to resell services based on access. My 5000 customer base has fled from the large ISP's because of the home town customer service they get, and prefer from Futura Inc, Internet Service Provider.

Myself and my staff are readily available to spend our pay checks in support of the local economy which helps boost our local cities and the State of Arkansas. The business expenses to run this company are all spent locally which benefits our community and the business that make up our town. Example; are uniforms, advertisements, utilities, lunch menus, school activities, educational and non-profit businesses all benefit in one way or another from my ISP.

We currently purchase services in the form of data circuits from three telco's SWB, Centurytel, Verizon and one CLEC E Spire. There is no other place for us to procure these circuits. It will be a great loose to our state and it's communities as well as my thirteen employees and their families it all the sudden I had to close the doors because the rules change in favor of the large telco's. When we try to offer local broad band services we are told no, because the tariff is not designed to meet this requirement, simply put no you can't have the customer we want them.

We small ISP created the changes, from BBS's to what we now know as the Internet. The FCC didn't do that the telco's didn't do that. The ISP's built their own little piece that makes up the Internet as a hole. We have sacrificed the profit and days off to get us where we are and I ask that you not by law take that away from the builders.

I spent 20 years in the Air Force, and am receiving disability associated with that service. My sacrifice has gone far enough I spent those twenty years defending our freedoms, and now some monopolistic business is trying to take that away from me. Millions of dollars each year are spent on the small businesses in this country, don't waste those tax dollars to make the large even larger.

I feel that the more power a company has, they begin to influence our society into one way of thinking.

Please keep the individuals on the top of the priority list, not the almighty dollar.

Sincerely,

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